



## WEEKLY MAYSVILLE EAGLE

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MAYSVILLE, KY., AUGUST 26, 1868.

**Democratic Congressional Convention.**  
The State Democratic Central Committee having authorized the chairman of the various county committees in this District to call a Convention for the nomination of a candidate for Congress and to appoint the time and place of holding the same. I addressed a communication to the chairman and members of each of said committees in reference to said matters. All the letters received in response to it is conceded that from their Valleys have come many of our greatest intellects. We know that their powers of eloquence are only equalled by the unselfishness of their patriotism and their brightly burning love of liberty. We of the Blue Grass will be delighted to see, talk with and listen to JOHN M. RICE, and in Maysville especially we promise him a hearty welcome and enthusiastic audience. We will only honor ourselves by manifesting a proper appreciation of the champion of the mountains. There will be no jealousy between the mountains and the Blue Grass, except in that noble emulation which will urge each to outdo the other in rolling up the largest majority in favor of the Democratic candidates and constitutional principles.

debating with the ablest men in the United States; for he who meets W. H. WADEWORTH in debate and bears away the laurels of victory in logic or rhetoric need not fear to enter the lists against any other antagonist. But our contemporary greatly misrepresents the sentiment of our people concerning those of the mountains. So far from entertaining a poor opinion of their ability it is conceded that from their Valleys have come many of our greatest intellects.

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### JUDGE WHITTAKER.

Judge EMERY WHITTAKER has been spoken of by his friends as a candidate for Congress in this District, and his name will be presented to the District Convention. We have been asked if we would support him if nominated. We confess to surprise at the question, but we answer unhesitatingly that we will support Judge WHITTAKER or any other man who may be nominated by the Owingsville Convention. Ten years have past since we cast our first vote, and during that time we never once bolted a Convention or scratched a ticket, though men who have not been our choice have frequently been presented for popular suffrage. Even if we had any decided personal animosity against Judge WHITTAKER, which we have not, it would not influence our action a particle at such a time and under such circumstances. We have sometimes felt called upon to sharply criticize his conduct and utterances, but there is hardly a man in the District whose every act and word will bear the test of criticism. There are none of us who have not done and said things that others do not condemn and which we have not, after reflection, ourselves condemned. We cannot secure the harmony so desirable in the presence of the great public danger except by mutually determining to cast the mantle of oblivion over acts of mere indiscretion and passion which do not involve any criminality, and we see no reason why Judge WHITTAKER should be excluded from that charitable judgment to which it behoves us all to appeal.

We have always said this for him: That however much we might disapprove of his course in some matters, he always played his cards on top of the table. We have no charge of treachery to make against him. It is but just to say that he has been an open and avowed enemy, fighting in an open field, and we always knew where to meet him. He has not betrayed with a kiss. He has not fawned upon Union Democrats with deceitful professions of personal regard and moderation even while laying secret plans for their ostracism and betrayal. We prefer the man who will meet us in the duello to him who would stab us in the dark. It is no time to harbor resentment for the past. Let us put it out of sight, and if Judge WHITTAKER should be nominated let us prove by the majority we will give that we are actuated by motives higher than mere individual preferences or private dislikes.

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for every fraction over fifty cast for STEVENSON. If so, the counties will have votes in the District Convention as follows, viz:

Bath, 12; Boyd, 7; Carter, 7; Fleming, 13; Floyd, 8; Greenup, 8; Johnson, 4; Lawrence, 8; Lewis, 9; Magoffin, 3; Madison, 19; Montgomery, 8; Morgan, 9; Pike, 6; Powell, 3; Rowan, 2.

### Ninth District.

STEVENSON, BAKER, Bath, 1,235 352  
Boyd, 654 388  
Carter, 715 708  
Fleming, 1,205 788  
Floyd, 752 127  
Greenup, 735 575  
Johnson, 261 225  
Lawrence, 785 510  
Lewis, 846 585  
Magoffin, 322 275  
Madison, 1,856 404  
Montgomery, 2,111 380  
Morgan, 879 222  
Pike, 569 231  
Powell, 257 157  
Rowan, 180 292  
Total, 12,294 6,499  
Democratic majority, 5,785

### RELIGIOUS.

A protracted meeting will be held in the Presbyterian Church in this city, commencing on Friday evening, 7th inst., at 7 o'clock. Rev. J. F. Conant of Cincinnati, will assist in the meeting. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered on Sabbath morning.

### OBITUARY.

**BRECK INRIDGE.**—The announcement of the death of Mrs. Breckinridge will bring sorrow to the many near and distant friends. Possessed of uncommon strength of character and purpose, which was made more conspicuous by contrast with her frail physical organization; gifted with a mind of extraordinary brightness, that was filled to overflowing with the kindly humor and the finer sentiments of woman; exhibiting in her intercourse with others a frankness and a frankness which was equal to the object of her affection; a loving daughter and a sister; a warm and true friend, and a devoted wife, her death will leave a void in many hearts that time will never fill.

Mr. Breckinridge had been married but little over three months when she was called away. The death of loved ones is always a sorrowful occasion, but when the destroyer comes and strikes down new-found happiness, and withers the bridal blossoms that still circle the loved one's head, and in creating scenes of interweaving the mournful eysers, the occasion is increased with such peculiar and powerful features of sadness that we feel crushed by the agony of our bereavement.

The great events of mortal and immortal existence have in the past few weeks been crowded into the history of this loved one lost—the bridal altar, the deathbed, the grave, Heaven.

An orange wreath, a golden ring,

And words that are vows for life,

And happy friends who greet us bring

To welcome the fair young wife.

A fond embrace, a fluttering breath,

A whispered farwell spoken,

And the gentle eyes close in death,

And the golden bough is broken,

A shrouded form, hands meekly crossed,

A wreath in its withered bloom,

The treasures of life on death's sea tossed,

And they bear her away to the tomb.

A golden gate thrown wide,

A burst of angel song—

The bright pure soul of the angel bride

Has joined the angelic throng.

—Louisville Journal.

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Speaking at Concord, Ky.

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TOHS. M. GREEN

WILL ADDRESS

The Seymour and Blair Club

AT CONCORD, LEWIS COUNTY,

On Saturday, 29th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

All are invited to attend.

The Speaking at Washington.—On Saturday we had the pleasure of a ride to Washington in company with Hon. W. H. Savage, of this county. On entering the town the first object that attracted the attention was a beautiful and symmetrical hickory pole, of more than hundred feet in height, from which waved in triumph the national colors. It is needless to say that it had been erected by the staunch Democracy of the Washington precinct in honor of the nomination of HORATIO SEYMOUR and FRANCIS BLAIR by the New York Democratic Convention, and to testify their own unflinching devotion to the principles of regulated freedom the flag was designed to symbolize. Presently it was announced that Hon. EMERY WHITTAKER from Maysville, had arrived, and very soon he was followed by the Maysville Brass Band. The crowd then marched to the place where the pole had been erected, hoisted the stars and stripes at their appropriate place at the very top of the lofty pole, and, this duly having been performed, marched in procession to the covered portico of the old Court House where stands for the speaker and the band had been hastily prepared. The audience was composed of all of gallantry and beauty contained in the good old town and the picturesque surrounding country. Men who had voted for JACKSON and those who had idolized HENRY CLAY—uncompromising Union men and those who had sympathized with the lost cause—gallant youth who had worn the blue and the no less heroic who in gray coats had followed the fortunes of the stars and bars—all met together in amity and good will, their former differences buried, with the past, and equally zealous and determined in advocating the principles of justice and moderation that underlie the Democratic platform.

After pleasing strains of exquisite music Judge WHITTAKER took the stand amidst the demonstrations of popular favor. We regret not being able to report from memory the speech, which occupied more than an hour in its delivery. It was an arraignment of the sectional party in the North for their persistent and malignant agitation of the slavery question, which was one of the causes that lead to the civil war that has cloathed the land in mourning. This branch of the subject was treated at length, but perspicuously and tersely, and when the Judge was through nothing remained to be said. He then dwelt upon the manner in which the war had been perverted to a crusade against the institution of slavery, ending in the successful accomplishment of a scheme the Abolitionists had cherished for years. Passing from this he showed how the Radicals at the close of the war placed themselves as obstacles in the way of a restoration of the Union, by destroying States, denying to the Southern people their constitutional right of representation, disfranchising many of the whites, enfranchising the ignorant blacks, and stripping the whole people of those safeguards to liberty secured to every citizen by the Constitution. He closed by urging his hearers to do their duty by rolling up a large majority for SEYMORE and BLAIR in November. The blows given to the Radicals were vigorous and well aimed. Judge WHITTAKER's manner was bold without bluster—his language well chosen to express his thoughts—and the entire effect produced upon his hearers was exactly what the speaker intended. This is the true test and should be the only aim in a public speech. Judge WHITTAKER possesses great energy of character and persistency of purpose—qualities which will always have their just influence, and which have given him a firm hold on many persons among the Mason county Democracy.

**Robbery.**—The Dry Goods house of McDougle & Brother, was robbed on Thursday night, of six hundred and thirty dollars. The thief performed his work so adroitly, that as yet no clue can be had to the daring robbery. We say daring, because there were two young men sleeping in the store at the time, and the party took the keys from their pockets and entered the safe, taking therefrom the above named sum. There was a watch and a splendid breastpin in the safe and fifteen dollars in currency in the drawer, which were not touched. The young men knew nothing of it until next morning, one of them waking up with a drowsy sensation, and remarking, "He felt as if he had been drugged."

Mr. Cramer, who was sleeping in the store at the time, had thirty dollars taken from his pocket-book, his keys stolen and his own store entered and robbed of several articles. The amount of his loss he cannot tell. The doors of both the stores were found open in the morning.

**Rosemont Academy.**—We take pleasure in commending this excellent institution to the attention and patronage of the public. To say that Mr. Richeson is a competent and successful instructor of youth is but to repeat what has been said of him by all who have sent their sons to him. He is more than that—he is a gentleman whose example and influence cannot fail to be beneficial to all who are thrown in contact with him. His residence is on a beautiful hill near the city, and will be a delightful home to all his pupils. Rosemont presents advantages possessed by very few schools in the State.

**Augusta Male and Female College.**—We direct the attention of our readers to the advertisement of the above named college. The next session of this Institution commences on Monday, 14th of Sept. Both males and females are received in this institution, and the very best advantages are offered for a thorough education. The very best teachers have been engaged, and the professors of the Institution are flattering.

Too much caution cannot be taken nowadays, and as a special security against such occurrences, we would counsel all parties not to keep money about their stores or houses, but deposit it in bank. We have two reliable institutions in the city and the duty of depositing closely should not be neglected. If this rule had been adhered to, the Messrs. McDougle would not have been outraged as they have been.

We extend to all, who have suffered by this robbery, the sympathy of the community.

**Masonic.**—Confidence Lodge No. 52, Free and Accepted Masons, attains the fiftieth year of its age the first day of September. The brothers have determined to celebrate the anniversary in an appropriate manner.

We understand that the grand Master of Masons in Kentucky, Hon. E. S. Fitch will deliver the address on the occasion.

Bro. W. P. Coons is chairman of the Committee on Celebration, and Bro. George R. Gill, secretary. The following are the sub-committees:

Committee on Music—Bros. W. P. Watkins, John Zeek.

Committee on Public Dinner—Bros. H. Gray, Thos. Nesbit, J. R. Lloyd, Horace January, Frank Vanden, John Ricketts, Kerr Ricketts Jr., A. J. Newell, W. J. Ross, Chas. Coons, W. S. Bridges, Geo. Hancock, Robert Means, Frank Long, S. B. Nicholson, John L. Grant, James H. Hall, W. N. Howe, Chas. Rosser.

Committee on Invitations—George R. Gill, G. W. Sulser.

Committee on Vocal Music—Bros. J. W. Rand, R. H. Weller, R. H. Blasenell, and Jno. B. Gibson.

Committee on Procession and Order of March—Bros. F. M. Weedon, Wm. Hunt, M. H. Smith, and W. P. Watkins.

We understand that the brethren from Sister Lodges well be invited to be present, and that the grand procession of Masons all clothed in regalia appropriate to their several degrees, will probably be the largest of the kind ever witnessed in this part of the State.

**Police Report.**—On the 17th our fellow citizen, John Joice, the wild Irishman, was up before his honor on a charge of drunkenness and disorderly conduct. It was fully proved and he is now expiating his offence by cracking rock in the Castle Grant, trying to work out a fine of \$5 and costs.

On the 20th one Timothy Hierley was arraigned for disposing of the extract of corn without license. He was fined \$20 and costs, which he reprieved, with Thomas Nicholson Joseph D. Secrets, Sergeant at Arms.

On the 21st Jane Warren, one of the protégées of the Freedman's Bureau, was up for the offense of grand larceny, consisting in stealing clothing from A. M. January. Examination was waived and she was committed to jail in default of \$100 bail for her appearance at the October term of the Mason Circuit Court.

On the 22nd Alexander Johnson was fined \$5 and costs for being drunk and disorderly.

**Cutting Affray.**—At an examining Court held by his honor W. P. Coons, on Monday last, William Watkins, jr., was examined upon the charge of cutting Logan Cook. The examination developed the fact that both Cook and Watkins had been partaking a little too freely of the "O be joyful." The battle occurred just opposite Pogue, Duke & Co's distillery—there were left upon the ground three hats, two knives, and a finger ring. It appeared that each of the party was impressed with the idea that it was his bounden duty to dissect the other. Which commenced this interesting operation the evidence did not develop, but Watkins had made the best progress, owing perhaps to the fact that his scalpel was of the more improved form, the Court held him over in the sum of two hundred dollars to answer at the next term of the Circuit Court.

**Congressional Convention in Lewis County.**

At a convention of the Democracy of Lewis county assembled at the court-house in the city of Vanceburg on Monday, the 17th day of August, A. D., 1868, pursuant to previous notice, on motion of Judge Garland, John Lovel was called to the chair and George T. Halbert was chosen Secretary.

The President explained the object of the meeting, namely: to appoint delegates to represent this county in convention at Owsingsville, on the 16th day of September next, to nominate a candidate for Congress in the Ninth Congressional District, etc.

The President, with the assistance of the convention, then named the following persons as delegates to attend said convention, to-wit:

S. B. Pugh, J. T. Garland, T. J. Bruce, W. S. Rand, B. R. Lovel, S. T. Pollock, John Drennan, F. M. Woods, W. H. Wilcox, J. H. Bradley, W. B. Perkins, J. P. McNeat, J. B. Bradley, M. B. Fitch, George Ray, W. H. Thomas, W. T. Rayborn, P. G. Mank, T. Bellony, David Armstrong, F. B. Brendam, B. W. Woodworth, W. W. Agnew, George T. Halbert, J. B. Seerist, Wm. H. Campbell, and all and every other Democrat of the county who can and may desire to attend said convention.

The following resolutions were unanimously passed by the meeting:

**Resolved.** That the action of Congress in regard to the chosen representative, John D. Young, take his seat, and the giving of the same to Sam. McFee, was a flagrant outrage upon the people of this District, and we look upon the same as an evidence upon the part of Congress to usurp all power, and, finally, to destroy the liberties of the people, and we condemn their said action as tyrannical, wicked, and unpatriotic, and call upon every good man in this District to do so likewise.

**Resolved.** That John D. Young has our warmest sympathies and respect, whilst we hold Sam. McFee, and the Radicals in contempt who suborned him in his wicked and shameful course, as disgraceful minnows of despotism.

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[From All the Year Round.]

Elder Ducks.

Though the elder duck is common along the whole coast of Norway, and may be seen in large numbers on many parts of the western shore, it is more especially in the far north that it finds a home. On those rocky islands, or "holms," which fringe the northwest corner of the country, and which form a barrier against the fury of the Atlantic an Arctic Sea, the number of these birds is great, and are very jealously protected. Not a gun may be fired in their neighborhood; even foreign vessels are forbidden to salute near an elder-duck island. For many of the barren reefs, which are almost entirely without vegetation, swarm with elder ducks, which resort thither to build, and rear them properties of no small value to the owner, who collects the down from the nests for exportation.

The best nest is said to be found in the nests, and which the female plucks from her breast. It is called "live" down to distinguish it from that which is plucked from the dead; and there is an appreciable difference between the two, both as regards price and quality. If a handful of "live" down is thrown into the air, it will alight together in a compact mass, even though a brisk breeze be blowing in the "dead" down will be blown about in all directions. "Live" down is said to be twice the weight of "dead" or fire, will rise much more than the "dead." Since in Norway the elder duck is under the protection of the government, which heavily fines any one who kills one of the birds, but little "dead" down is exported from that country. But in Greenland and in parts of Iceland, the birds do not meet with the same considerate attention, and are frequently destroyed for their down's sake.

The elder duck is a remarkably handsome bird, and is nearly double the size of an ordinary farm-duck; the duck, which is smaller than her mate, is of sombre brown color. She generally lays from five to eight eggs, after which she will begin to sit, unless the eggs be taken. But it is the object of the proprietor of a colony of ducks to get as much down as possible, the nest is generally robbed once or twice of its down and eggs to induce the bird to lay again and pluck a further supply.

In a most interesting sight to visit one of these Norwegian duck colonies, and observe the jealous care with which the birds are treated. The ducks approve of it, and become so tame that they will even suffer them selves to be taken off their nest by the "gude-wife."

Mr. Shepherd, in "The Northwest Peninsula of Iceland," gives a most interesting account of a visit he paid to an elder duck island off the coast of the second largest of the islands, it was but three-quarters of a mile in width, and was almost entirely surrounded by a stone wall about three feet high. Every alternate stone at the top of this wall had been taken out, leaving a hole for the duck to build her nest in. When he visited it every compartment was tenanted, and "was a curious sight," he writes, "to see a whole line of ducks fly out from the wall as one would from a nest."

The island belonged to a widow woman, who had all the care to the rearing of the elder duck, and who doubtless made a pretty good thing out of it. The walls and roof of her dwelling, moreover, were covered with ducks, while even a duck was sitting in the scupper.

The elder duck is a very close sitter, and her mate is ever on the watch to protect her from intruders, or give her timely notice of approaching danger. Foxes and ravens are among their deadliest and craftiest enemies; so when they will suddenly come and pull the duck off her nest in order to rob her of eggs or gallow brood.

Take for example this true story of an elder duck and a raven. The duck was sitting asidiously y' on her nest, for hatching time was near. But a crafty raven, ever on the lookout for eggs, made up his mind to have a treat at her expense. The elder duck being a heavy bird, is not easily dislodged. The raven attacked in the rear, and the poor bird, in her efforts to save her tail to pull her backward. The drake, from sitting two long, was scarcely a match for the raven, and would have forced to give way. But the drake, on guard close by, presently saw the assault on his wife, and hastened to the rescue. So intent was the raven on getting at the eggs, that the drake was on him before he was aware. With head erect and ruffled feathers, he made a sudden dart at the raven, and took a firm grip of his enemy's neck with his powerful claws. The drake then gave up his hold of the duck's tail. But do what he would, he could not get his neck out of the drake's beak, and from the position in which he was held, his own beak and his claws were useless. He would have flown up could he have done so carrying the drake with him; but this was impossible. Moreover he was being choked.

One side of the rock on which the drake sat, and it was a rocky precipice to drag his enemy in that direction. Slowly but surely he succeeded. In vain did the raven with the elder drake upon him flap his powerful wings; they only beat the ground. In vain did he utter the hoarsest cries. At one time it seemed as if the raven would have escaped after all; but never once did his opponent loosen the hold on his throat, until he was dragged to the edge of the rock whence the drake, with a final effort, leaped into the sea. A splash, a ripple, and the two birds locked together vanished from the surface. The drake pre-ently came up again. The black assailant, if his wife remained below.

Eider down needs a good deal of cleaning and dressing, as the pieces of grass and twigs of which the nest is made gets so intermingled with it, that it is not easy to get rid of entirely. Each duck yields on an average about eight pounds of down, which is reduced one half by dressing. The method of cleaning is to spread the down out in the sun to dry, and as in those far northern latitudes, for six weeks, the sun never sets below the horizon, it soon dries. Should rainy weather set in, the down has to be dried in ovens. The particles of grass and twigs, becoming brittle, are picked out by hand, and the down is placed on sieves to be well rid of the small bits and dust have fallen through. It is then ready for exportation, and is shipped chiefly to Denmark.

Most of the down in the London market comes from Greenland and Iceland, and is not nearly so valuable as the Norwegian, because the greater part of that which comes from the first-named countries is the dead down. Once or twice the writer has had eider down sent him from "holm" on the other side of North Cope, and has always found it expensive. I have this down dressed over again. In buying eider down, therefore, the purchaser must be sure if the twigs and dust mixed up with it, for he may rest assured that the genuine article. Eider down plucked off the dead drake, is perfectly clean, but not nearly so valuable.

It takes (according to size) from one and a half to three pounds of down to make a quilt. It is a great mistake to crum too much down into the quilt as it becomes lumpy, and defaces the surface. The view is, which is to have the quilt as light as possible.

There are two methods of making quilt, adopted in Norway and Sweden; the one is to "quilt" it, and this is the best way, for it prevents the down from collecting in masses in any particular part; the other is what may be called the tubular method. Little pockets or tubes of fine linen, running the whole length of the quilt, are filled with down, which then receives its covering of silk. But the down frequently put into a bag the size of the bed, and where is nothing to prevent it from collecting in one corner, the result generally is that the occupant of the bed will wake up with th quilt on the ground, and himself freezing.

The nest of the elder duck should never be robbed of its down more than twice, even then it is a piteous sight to see the bird with her breast almost bare. It is said that when the supply of down is exhausted, the drake will make up the deficiency from his own breast. The nest of the drake, by the way, is as white as swan's down.

The eggs that have been taken are kept for the winter's supply, but the duck is allowed to bring up the second batch in peace and quietness. And thus, as there is a natural instinct more or less developed in all creatures to breed in the old spot where they first saw the light, it depends almost entirely on the owner whether his colony of duck shall flourish, or shall dwindle away to one or two couples.

Many, to their sorrow, have often killed the golden goose for her eggs, but in these days

the elder duck is usually treated as she deserves, with kindness and care—attentions which she never fails to repay "tenfold out of her bosom."

**A Ritualistic Wedding in England.**  
A correspondent of the *Pall Mall Gazette* gives the following account of a wedding recently celebrated at St Paul's Church, Brighton: "The ceremony (or, according to the "How Pauline," the sacrament) was fixed, it was said, for 10 A. M., but before 9 o'clock the church of St. Paul's was, if fishermen spoke truth, filled. West side, bleachers.

Of course, there was an occasional "priest" who was abundant there, at least are believed to have a hand in making two into one. The service was as intricate as the most orthodox or heretical could desire; and the place of performance was shifted with the most unexceptionable manner from point to point, until the heathen must have been at their wit's end. The priests shifted their garments so as to satisfy the most exacting; from cope to alb, and from alb to surplice, and so on.

The Holy Eucharist was received by the bride and bridegroom only, it is reported; the other persons having probably come with the reverential intention of looking on. The altar was vested in white frontal, and was ornamented with flowers, which, of course, were choice, and equally of course, were arranged with all the grace exhibited by those who would have married towards the largest and finest stocks ever imported in this section, come.

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